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Felon pleads guilty to wife's murder

TORRANCE – A felon pleaded guilty today to murdering his wife and leaving her body in a Torrance motel room shortly after he was released on parole in 2011, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Steven Richard Miller, 41 (dob 10-26-71), is scheduled to be sentenced to 24 years to life in prison when he returns April 18 before Superior Court Judge Steven Van Sicklen, said Deputy District Attorney Lowrie Mendoza.

Miller pleaded guilty to one count of second-degree murder and admitted his 2007 conviction for domestic violence of his wife, Blaza Miller. Her body was discovered by employees of the Extended Stay America hotel in Torrance on June 20, 2011, nine days before her 46th birthday.

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